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**Amendments to the Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended). A power transmission comprising:

a transmission housing including a stationary front end wall rotatably supporting an input shaft, a stationary rear end wall rotatably supporting an output shaft, and a stationary housing portion interconnecting said front end wall and said rear end wall;

a forward planetary gearset, a central planetary gearset, and a rearward planetary gearset disposed within said housing and axially aligned between said front and rear end walls, said forward planetary gearset having a planet carrier member continuously connected with a ring gear member of said central planetary gearset and a ring gear member continuously connected with a planet carrier member of said rearward planetary gearset and said output shaft, said central planetary gearset having a planet carrier continuously connected with a ring gear member of said rearward planetary gearset and a sun gear member continuously connected with said input shaft;

five torque-transmitting mechanisms disposed within said housing portion intermediate said front end wall and said rear end wall including a first torque-transmitting mechanism having a band member radially surrounding a hub at least a portion of which radially surrounds said rearward planetary gearsets adjacent said rear end wall;

four of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction disc structures disposed between said front end wall and said rearmost planetary gearset; with either

three of said four torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs positioned between said front end wall and said forward planetary gearset and at least two of said torque transmitting mechanisms having servo mechanisms having non-rotatable engagement pistons supported in said front end wall, and the fourth of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs disposed between said forward planetary gearset and said central planetary gearset or,

two of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs each have a servomechanism having a non-rotatable engagement piston supported in said housing portion or said front end wall, and two of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs have servomechanisms supported in a hub connected with said input shaft and positioned axially between said forward and central planetary gearsets or,

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two of said torque-transmitting mechanisms have servomechanisms having non-rotatable engagement pistons supported in said front end wall or,

three of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs have servomechanisms having non-rotatable engagement pistons supported in said front end wall or,

four of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs have two servomechanisms having non-rotatable engagement pistons supported on said front end wall and two servo mechanisms supported in said front end wall or

two of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs being stationary torque-transmitting mechanisms having servomechanisms having non-rotatable engagement pistons supported in said housing portion substantially radially outboard of said forward planetary gearset, another of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs being a clutch having a servomechanism rotatably supported on said front end wall, and a further of said torque-transmitting mechanisms having friction discs being a clutch having a servomechanism supported in a hub between said forward planetary gearset and said central planetary gearset; and

said five torque-transmitting mechanisms being engaged in combinations of two to establish six forward speed ratios and one reverse speed ratio between said input shaft and said output shaft through said planetary gearsets.